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The heat is on

Suddenly, summer is upon us. Life seems to have shifted up a gear and there's an extra buzz of activity in the local area. London is always changing, and nowhere more so than south-east London. The **Heart of East Greenwich** housing project, which is estimated to cost a cool £131 million, could be taking off soon. I talked to Phil Dibsdale, area director for South London Gateway at English Partnerships about his plans to provide local social amenities within an eco-friendly environment. A man who relishes a challenge!

Are you a celeb spotter? Hither Green's very own star of the silver screen, **Ashley Lilley** is appearing in the movie Mamma Mia, so read our interview to find out how she got on with Meryl Streep and Pierce Brosnan. If you want to release your inner David Bailey, enter our fab competition and you could **win £2,500 worth of photographic equipment**. The food front in south-east London is just bursting with tempting treats. There's Angela Crossen's **Cupcakes and Bakes** (she's recently won a Greenwich Business start-up award), or take a trip to **The Royal,** a new gastropub in Mottingham. And **Greenwich Food market** has opened on Wednesdays, so no excuses for not shopping locally!

The National Maritime Museum
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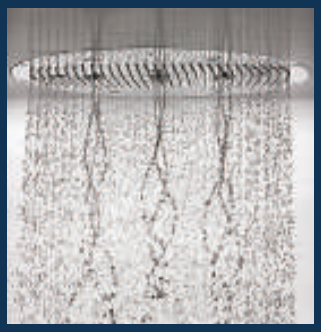

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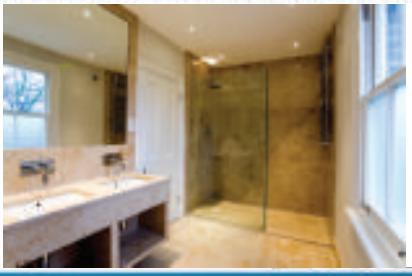

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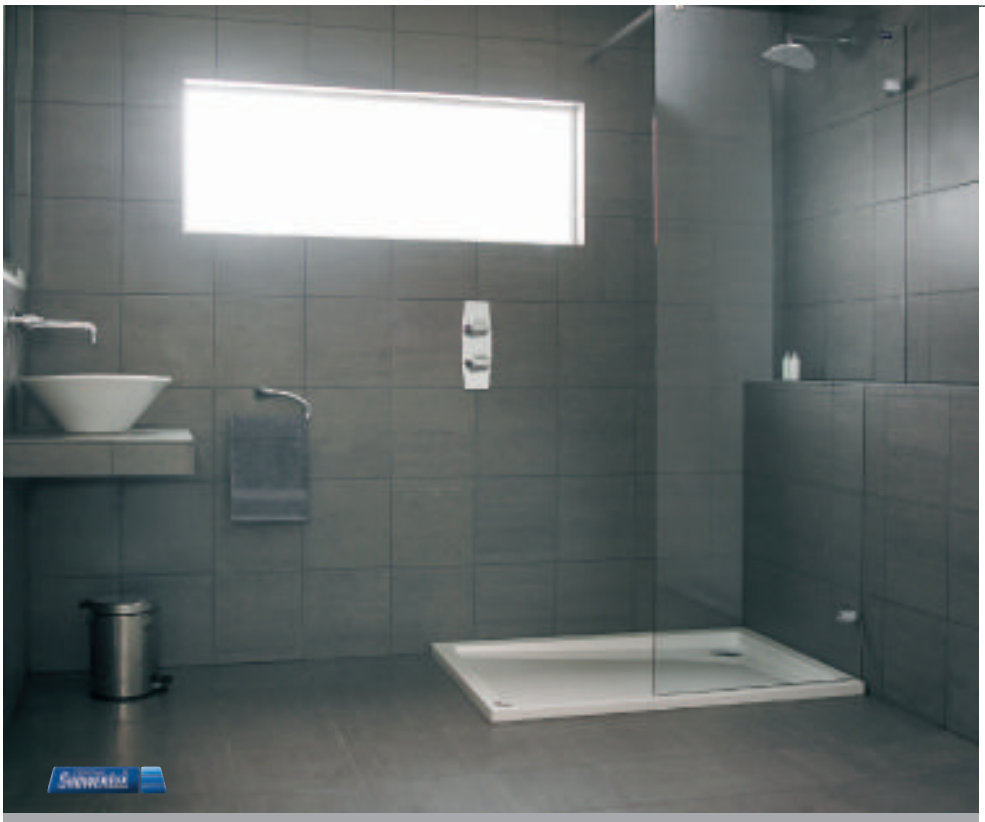

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Out & about

From multi-million pound donations to the latest transport plans

Greenwich museum's £20m gift

A new wing is to open at the National Maritime Museum, thanks to a £20m donation from Sammy Ofer, a shipping tycoon who served in the Royal Navy during World War II. The windfall is believed to be the largest single donation by an individual to a cultural project in the UK.

"It's a major new gallery space for temporary exhibitions, as well as housing the archive and library collections," said Dr Kevin Fewster, director of the National Maritime Museum. Mr Ofer approached Lord Sterling, chairman of the museum about the monetary gift. The businessman wanted to "put something back into British maritime history," explained Dr Fewster. Plans include a new entrance facing Greenwich Park, learning spaces for children, improved access to the museum, a shop and restaurant as well as underground galleries.

The total cost for the project is £35m, with the additional money expected to come from Heritage Lottery Funding applications as well as funds set aside by NMM. The wing will be completed by the end of 2011, in time for the Olympics in 2012.

Hi-tech boat for disabled is world's first

The AHOY Centre in Deptford, has designed a 40ft-long vessel, which is the first power boat to be controlled by fingertip and has capacity for 11 wheelchairs on board. It has special features which mean people with any physical and mental disability, as well as able-bodied people, can sail it. The new powerglide boat, which cost just under £200,000 to build, has CCTV displaying a 360-degrees view, enabling those with restricted movement to steer it. It will also have a hoist, scissor lift and disabled toilet.

The City Bridge Trust, Peter Harrison Foundation, Variety Club and Thames Water funded the building of the boat, but the centre is now appealing for sponsorship to cover running costs for two years and the launch event, totalling around £160,800. "AHOY will help show what people with disabilities can achieve," says patron Tracey Edwards.

The vessel is being built in Falmouth, Cornwall, by Power Catamarans Ltd, and when completed it will make its maiden voyage back to Deptford.

Anyone wishing to make a donation, call 0208 691 7606, or email mandy@ahoy.org.uk.

New transport links

A town planning 'think tank' is revising ideas to extend the London Underground with a new 'outer circle' line in the run-up to the 2012 Olympics.

The £2 billion scheme would link London City Airport to the Stratford Games site, the Lower Lee Valley, Tottenham, Willesden Junction, Hammersmith, Battersea Heliport, Clapham Junction and Lewisham in one big giant loop, using mostly existing tracks.

"Ninety per cent of the infrastructure is already out there," said a spokesman. "This scheme is eco-friendly and takes good public rail transport out to the suburbs beyond the Congestion Zone where there is still too much dependence on the motor car."

The proposed line would run from City Airport 'express' alongside the DLR to Canning Town where it would 'share tracks' with the Jubilee to Stratford, then loop round to the new International Eurostar station opening in 2010 and run along the Lee Valley main line to the 'Tottenham curve' where it would take over part of the Gospel Oak line.

It would switch at Clapham junction to existing lines through Balham, Tulse Hill, Peckham Rye, Lewisham and Carlton.

Dr Kevin Fewster

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THE GUIDE'S CHOICE

BLACKHEATH
Plant Fair
22nd June

Now in its fourth successive year, the Blackheath Plant Fair crops up to provide the local area with all our gardening needs. The fair boasts around ten nurseries each with hundreds of plants and accessories. If the vividness of the plants doesn't get to you, then the huge selection of horticultural products is sure to bowl you over. The Fair is strongly centred on the local gardening community with nurseries from the local area displaying their products at the fair. The range of stalls is comprehensive: ornamental plants, edible plants, cut flowers, grasses, herbs as well as chilli plants, citrus fruits and aloe vera.
Blackheath station car park, SE3

ELTHAM
Birthday celebrations
25th May

Come along to the event commemorating the 75th anniversary of Well Hall Pleasaunce. Mayor Steve Offord, who has childhood memories of playing in the Pleasaunce, will be meeting grandchildren of William Barefoot, who was the park's founder. Tudor Barn café open all day.
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Thomas Luscombe checks out the best of the bunch

PREVIEW

GREENWICH
Greenwich and Docklands International Festival
19th-22nd June

The longest running and largest outdoor festival in London will take the south-east by storm again in June. On show is a wide variety of visual pieces and extraordinary performances from a mixture of entertainers. This celebration of the arts presents theatre, comedy, dance, music bands, as well as large-scale spectacles.

Attracting over 40,000 visitors, there's a huge array of free outdoor events bringing together the pioneering work of UK artists and some international acts too. The grounds of the National Maritime Museum will be animated with choreographed runners, an immense Chinese landscape canvas painted live by aerialists at The O2, choreographed football at Canary Wharf, and a 60-foot long musical caterpillar intent on swallowing unwary audiences in Woolwich. Children from the local school are also taking part, in a sportathon. This aims to encouraging local boys and girls to get active, and into sport while supporting their community. With such a large, free event right on the doorsteps for residence of south-east London, come and see what all the fuss is about.
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BLACKHEATH
Bike and Kite Festival
14th-15th June

The skies of Blackheath will come alive with kites of all shapes, sizes and colours. The event, sponsored by Transport for London, is held during National Bike Week. Entertainment includes renowned UK mountain bike stunt display team, Team MAD, who will demonstrate death-defying leaps, jumps, hops and balancing skills, using only their custom-made stunt bikes. The Holland kite team and Belgium's Atomic kite team will be bringing a variety of inflatable kites and kite trains, from 'champagne bottles' to 'air guitars'.
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CHARLTON
Wildlife garden
17th April

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Going for A SONG

The Hither Green-based actress **ASHLEY LILLEY** makes her big screen debut in the film Mamma Mia

Tell us about your role in Mamma Mia
It was surreal! It was my first major acting role and I had about five castings for it, with acting, singing and dancing. I had the luxury of six weeks rehearsal, which is very unheard of in a movie.

I spent ten weeks at Pinewood Studios and then filmed in Greece. My character in the film is the best friend of the bride, played by American actress Amanda Seyfried. It's an upbeat movie with such a great cast.

What was it like mixing with the stars?
I was in my comfort zone as it involved a lot of dancing and singing. It wasn't at all boring as I got to watch top actors work in front of the camera. Meryl Streep was just so brilliant. She chatted away to us and treated us really well. Pierce Brosnan was lovely and it was great dancing with him – he really went for it! We had a Celtic connection, as he is Irish and I'm Scottish, so we had a bit of banter over drinks in the bar.

Are you ready for the film premiere?
It's my first red carpet event and I've got to get my dress organised! The premiere is on 1st July and I'm bringing my mum and dad down from Scotland to come with me.

What do you like about living in Hither Green?
I've always lived in south-east London since I moved from Scotland, previously in Charlton. My boyfriend bought a flat in Hither Green and we've lived here since last August. It doesn't feel like London as it's more of a community and reminds me of home. The shopping's great, especially in Brockley and Lewisham. In fact, we've kitted out the whole flat from shops in Lewisham!

If aliens came to Hither Green, where would you recommend they go?
I really love the shop You Don't Bring Me Flowers, which has great cappuccino. Spookily enough, the lady who was working on the video of *Mamma Mia* told me one of her friends owns the café!

How do you relax?
When I have the time, I love just sitting on the heath with my boyfriend.

What do you sing in the shower?
Anything that's in the charts. At the moment it's mostly Amy Winehouse .

What have you got lined up for the future?
Currently I'm working on the soundtrack for the film *Mamma Mia*. After three years in musical theatre, I'd love to do some straight acting roles. ●

Mamma Mia is released through Universal on 4th July 2008.

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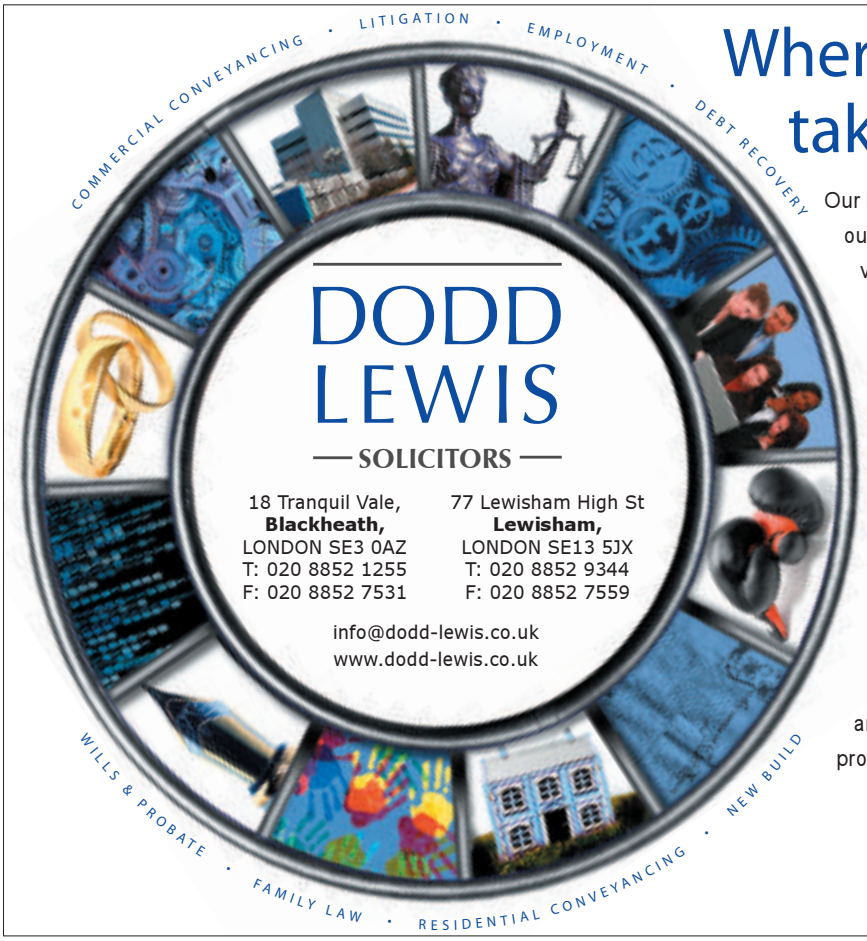

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Senior citizen

Harry Haward stands up for pensioners' rights. He talks to **ANGELA CLERKIN** about his life in south-east London

I was born and bred in Deptford 75 years ago…
The walls were so thin in our house that you could dip your bread in next door's gravy! I met my wife Sharon when she was 16, and we've been together for 34 years.

I remember a local Deptford policeman called Boxer Brown …
Once when I was 13 he caught me trying to break into the co-op. He said, "Harry, do you want a fight or get nicked?" I went for the fight. I knew it would hurt, as he wasn't called Boxer Brown for nothing.

I used to run a nightclub in Deptford called Champs…
It was a busy club and we used to get lots of celebrities and boxers coming. I ran a special pensioners' night there about four times a year. We would take the old people on day trips up the river and to the seaside. Last year I met Seb Coe up at City Hall to ask him about getting some more funding for DAGE (Deptford Action Group for the Elderly) and he remembered me from the club. We have another meeting with his assistant coming up soon.

In the early 70s I met Mohammed Ali …
In Las Vegas when he was fighting Joe Bugner. He gave me a signed picture – it's on the wall at the drop-in-centre. And last year I went to the Queen's Tea Party. I think I was invited for my pensioners' rights work.

I am the Chairman of DAGE…
We are a registered charity. In 2000 we applied to the lottery and they gave us a grant to buy a shop and turn it into a furniture re-use shop where people could buy good cheap furniture that others no longer needed. The lottery officers came down and saw the state of the place – it had been a carpet shop, empty for years and used by drug addicts. The premises were so dirty and filthy in here that even the mice had to wear overalls!

You can find me most days at the 'Joy House' …
Lots of pensioners come here to drink tea and sit and have a chat - especially on Wednesdays, which is market day in Deptford. You can get advice about pension entitlements and sight tests, all for free. And we arrange for the fire brigade to go around to people's houses and fit a chain on the door to protect them from bogus callers – we had one old lady who was attacked in her home just the other day, she just opened the door to someone who said they were checking on the state of the windows.

We're having a party…
At the Albany Empire on the 29th June for about 500 pensioners – there will be lots of dancing and professional singers from Covent Garden. We all have a great time and it doesn't cost anyone a penny.

Calling all pensioners! Calling all pensioners!…
That's what my radio programme is called – it's on every Sunday at 2pm on Resonance Radio 104.4 FM. We play lots of old-time music and I try and get people involved in DAGE campaigns. ●

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Zero carbon HOMES

A new £130m housing scheme that puts the Green in Greenwich. **FIONA KEATING** reports.

Phil Dibsdale is looking tanned and relaxed after a skiing holiday. This may be the last vacation he takes in a long while, as he steers one of Greenwich's - if not london's - biggest building schemes towards planning permission.

The Heart of East Greenwich project on the site of the former Greenwich District Hospital will deliver possibly London's first zero carbon development. It's other aim is to turn the area into a thriving community. This part of south-east London is described by Dibsdale, area director for South London Gateway at English Partnerships, the national regeneration agency, as "a tear in the urban fabric."

ENERGY SAVING

The project's green credentials will be achieved by on-site generation of heat and power using biomass Combined Heat and Power (CHP). There will also be ground source heat pumps, thermal storage and photovoltaics, supplemented during peak periods by gas boilers.

There is one point that Dibsdale is keen to make clear. "It certainly doesn't mean that there will be no carbon emanating from the development at all," he explains. But the area director is keen to point out that "there is a renewable energy source on the site. That source is able to sell back excess energy when it's not being used on site back to the National Grid. The overall effect per annum should be carbon neutral."

Green roofs using plant material, will also be implemented to provide additional insulation to buildings, as well as brown roofs using renewable and recycled materials. In a bid to persuade the residents to reduce their carbon footprint, there will be "1,000 bike stalls to encourage people to cycle instead of using cars," says Dibsdale, "It's very much aimed at sustainable lifestyle." English Partnerships chose First Base as the developer for this mixed-use development. Designed by Make Architects, Arup and Lovejoy, the regenerated area will include around 645 homes, incorporating 50% affordable housing to provide family, key worker and social for rent homes.

> "Local residents have been very supportive. They've never been anti-development"

Public amenities include a new town square, two swimming pools and fitness studios, a health centre with two doctors' surgeries, a library, crèche, as well as a range of shops and workspaces. "It's a fantastic new offer for people to have on their doorstep," claims Dibsdale.

The area director is quietly confident of receiving planning permission, hopefully in July. "We could be on site by the end of this year," he reveals.

FORUM FOR DEBATE

Because the site has been empty for many years, there hasn't been a great deal of opposition to the plans. "Local residents have been very supportive. They've never been anti-development," offers Dibsdale, Workshops and discussion forums were set up for the community to air their views and also for input on the development.

There were concerns about the heights of buildings and these were taken into consideration and factored into the plans. "The majority of the tall buildings are at the front. At the back, where residential buildings are the new build are no more than two or three storeys."

A HANDFUL OF DUST

However, no large-scale building works are without its inherent problems. Local residents have raised concerns on how they might be affected. "There will be disruption, inevitably," admits Dibsdale. "There will be noise and dust. But it's all about being considerate and keeping building work within office hours. With the first residents hoping to set up home here in 2010, Dibsdale is adamant that the area will be vibrant. "It'll have a real buzz about it."

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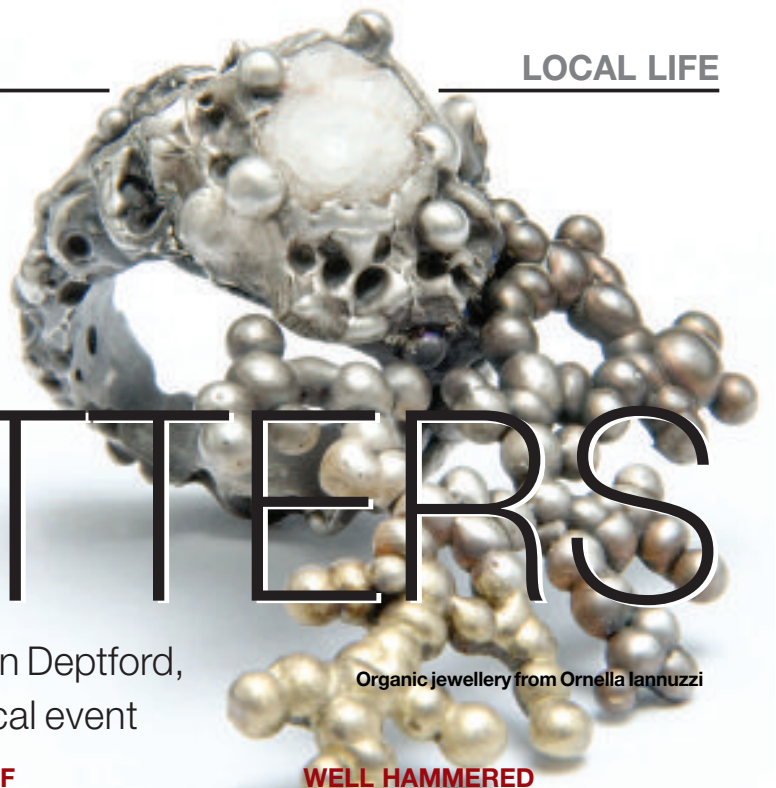
Talent SPOTTERS

Designers of the future shine bright in Deptford, and you can meet them at a free local event



Organic jewellery from Ornella Iannuzzi

Hailed as a "notorious hotbed for creative talent" in Vogue.com, Cockpit Arts is a lively hub for over 165 designers. On 17th-18th May, you can watch live demonstrations and meet with the designers as well as buy fashion, the latest contemporary jewellery and even a range of wearable sculpture.

IT'S A LIVING THING

Ornella Iannuzzi describes her work as "small-scale sculpture that you can wear." Inspired by nature, she 'grows' her jewellery pieces in a silver tank using a method of electro-forming the metals around a basic structure. In this way, the items expand organically, seeming to mimic nature. Her rings are amongst her most exciting new developments. Add a drop of water to them and they bloom with brilliant green moss.

LIGHTEN UP

Marie Rodgers & Maria Livings of Lush Designs produce a range of home accessories, including lampshades, cushions, bags, aprons and hanging decorations. "I started because it was impossible to find lampshades that rang my bell," says Marie. "I like to play with light, opacity and translucency." The signature style is a mix between folk art and Edward Lear inspired drawings. Lush Design is planning to open a shop in Greenwich Market, hopefully in the next few months.

RUFF STUFF

Newcomer to Cockpit Arts Open Studios, Katherine Wardropper's structured jewellery pieces have been used on catwalks by Gok Wan, presenter of TV show *How To Look Good Naked*. Katherine's style is influenced by Elizabethan ruffs in what the designer calls a "bold and flamboyant" look. Her work has been snapped up by Kabiri and will be on sale in Selfridges. Future projects include 3D stencils, high-end fashion as well as furniture accessories.

Ndidi gets in the groove

WELL HAMMERED

Silversmith Ndidi Ekubia's fame is growing, as she was recently featured on the BBC and her work displayed at the Victoria & Albert Museum. Ndidi says that "stamina rather than strength is needed for the work." Music is an important element of her process, using melodies to get into a rhythm for the piece she is creating. If you want to see the ancient craft of silversmithing in action, Ndidi is giving a live demonstration during the Cockpit Arts Open Studios.

HEAD CASE

Katty Janneh has been at Cockpit Arts for six years and specialises in hand-made 'button hats' using vintage and recycled finds such as laces, jewellery, veiling and feathers. She will give a live hat-making demonstration during Cockpit Arts Open Studios. Using her fashion background, she manipulates fabrics, draping, beading and embroidery in her work. Katty is inspired by vintage Hollywood styles and her collections have been stocked in The British Hatter and Selfridges London. Working collaborations have included The L boutique, Marc Powell Tailoring and Matthew Williamson.

Cockpit Open Arts Studios, 18-22 Creekside, SE8 3DZ;
www.cockpitarts.com
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In June, artists in Greenwich welcome you into their studios, and will happily chat about their work as you browse, so put the weekends of 14th-15th and 21th-22nd June in your diary. This year some new faces have joined the group which presents an eclectic and wide range of work. The studios are open from 12pm – 6pm, and entrance is free.

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Come to Papa

HANNAH YELIN shares her fabulous Father's Day finds

IT'S THAT TIME of year where we get a reminder that it might not be a bad idea to give the men in our life a little pat on the head and a nod of acknowledgement. For the thoughtful and generous spirited, the convention can even extend to some hallmark sentimentality and a pair of socks. But I say if a national day of any sort is worth celebrating, it's worth doing properly. Whether it's a traditional timepiece or a booby (no, really, I'm serious), make your gift a good 'un.

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Tempus fugit

A well-chosen gift will remind him of you every time he looks at it. So, if you really want to stay in his thoughts, get him something he'll look at repeatedly. Throughout the day. Every day. For years. Possessive? Us? Never.
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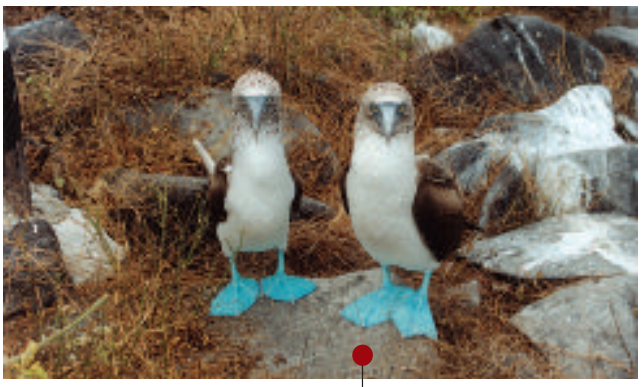

Strictly for the birds

It's a fact, men love boobies. For £40, the Galapagos Conservation Trust will sponsor one of the island's funny-looking endangered birds. As thanks, you receive a silk tie and a personalised letter stating that you are officially sponsoring a booby!
Visit www.gtc.org (020 7629 5049).

New man

According to research from the economic and social research council, only 37 per cent of fathers change nappies more than once a day. If you know someone who needs a gentle nudge, Father's Day is a timely reminder.
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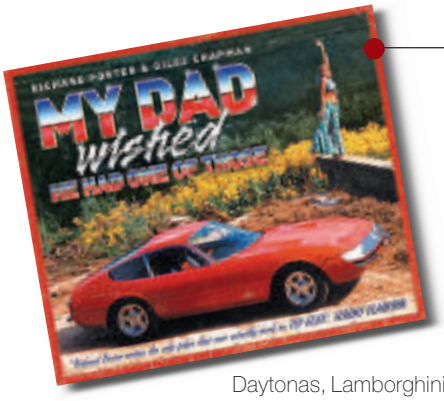

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Piece of CAKE

After a career change, Angela Crossen was amazed to win an award from Greenwich Council

FROM HER SCRUPULOUSLY TIDY KITCHEN in Eltham, Angela Crossen is listening to Eric Clapton on her iPod. She is sculpting beautiful cupcakes made from sponge with butter cream on top. The aroma of freshly made cakes delicately scents the air.

This is a far cry from her life as a high-flying business woman, but after moving to south-east London and having her first child, Angela decided to take stock of her life. "I was a project manager for years and the grind got too much. I was missing out on my daughter's life too much. The past six months have been the best because I've been able to take her to school and bring her back. I wanted something where I could slow down and maintain my lifestyle." Friends and family were really shocked when Angela told them her plans to become a cupcake lady. "I'm not the most domesticated person in the world. I thought I'd be in corporate industry for the rest of my life, always on the trot."

The eureka moment took some time coming. "I thought of opening a café but there's a lot of money involved," recalls Angela. "Then I hit on something. You can always send flowers - everyone does that. But what if you want to send someone a box of cakes? Nobody really does that. I wanted to be the person to bring a smile to people's faces."

And so Cupcakes and Bakes was born. Soon after, Angela was encouraged to enter a Greenwich council competition, so she duly filled in the forms and sent them off without another thought. She couldn't have been more surprised to find that she had bagged the Best Start Up Business prize, scooping £2,500 for her business, which bakes, sells and delivers individually decorated cakes for weddings, birthdays, children's parties and other special occasions.

Suzanne Foe, President South East London, Chamber of Commerce, Angela Crossen and Cllr Denise Hylance

Cllr Denise Hyland, Cabinet Member for Economy and Skills, who spoke at the awards said: "The Greenwich Business Start-up awards aim to celebrate, recognise and reward the achievements of new entrepreneurs who have successfully launched a business in the borough.

"The awards also encourage residents - particularly those living within the Greenwich Neighbourhood Priority areas - to explore the potential of starting their own business. It helps make them aware of the comprehensive programme of business start up advice and support that is currently available through the Neighbourhood Enterprise Project.

"Enterprise plays a crucial role in supporting neighbourhood renewal enabling new community businesses to provide facilities and services that directly benefit the local area and its residents."

One of the things that the judges particularly loved were the obstacles that Angela overcame. As she explains: "If I'm going to be shipping cupcakes all over the country, how on earth do I transport them without the cakes ending up as a pile of mush? There's nothing in this country that protects them. I did research and made custom boxes for the cakes."

What the former project manager loves about having a small business is the flexibility. "I really want to serve the local area. There's nothing around, especially in Eltham that caters to this idea."

Angela's next big project is for the International Gay and Lesbian Football Association. It's a large tournament that takes place during the last week of August, in Regent's Park. "I was at one of the meetings last week and I was quite surprised at how well organised and how many countries are involved from all over the world," says Angela. "There's going to be thousands of people there. I just bake like a lunatic and hope that I've got enough!"

If the business takes off, Angela is hoping to build a little studio at the end of her garden, where she will be baking her cupcakes and wedding cakes, as well as cookies and other bespoke goodies.

And does she have secret ingredients and preparations that she'll take to the grave? Angela smiles wickedly and says she'll have to kill the person who finds out. But then she relents and says, "I do have my own recipes - but if I can do it, anybody can do it. A sponge is just a sponge - you can't really go wrong."

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Wish you were here...

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Thames Sailing Barges race down the estuary

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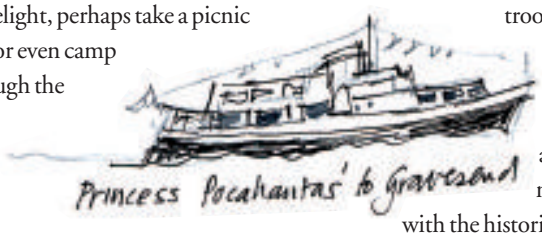
It would be difficult to find another European river with such diverse and beautiful scenery as it flows some 200 miles from its source to the sea. Streams like Lechlade, where the river matures as it passes through water meadows, picturesque villages and towns, past the dreamy spires and towers of Oxford. Best seen from a boat, each reach will surprise. Why not go for a riverside view and hire a skiff or a camping punt just like *3 men in a boat*?

Plan a series of boat trips from town to town, or stay overnight in a riverside hotel or a simple B&B. Riverside pubs and restaurants delight, perhaps take a picnic Henley style or even camp awhile. Through the summer Thames-side festivals abound with regattas, classic boat rallies, music and literature events.

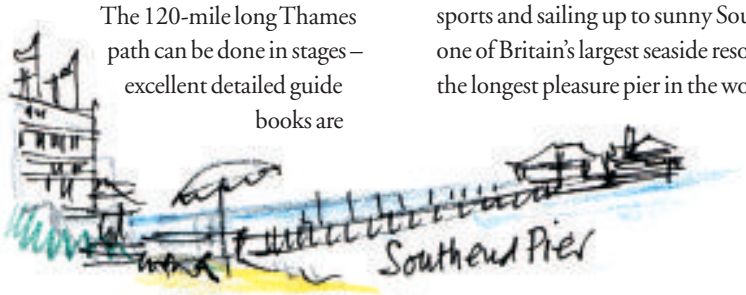


See William Morris's house at Kelmscott or Stanley Spencer's Cookham. Visit stately homes or even Windsor Castle and Eton across the bridge. Busy riverside towns like Kingston and Richmond have their own charm – while Hampton Court Palace and the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew can all be visited by boat from Westminster pier.

The 120-mile long Thames path can be done in stages – excellent detailed guide books are readily available, time tables of river services can be obtained from the Greenwich Tourist information centre and on the internet. Venture down the Thames on board *Princess Pocahontas*' on her regular service to and from Gravesend - a fascinating town with views of shipping and Tilbury docks beyond – take the ferry to view the splendid Tilbury fort where Queen Elizabeth I rallied her troops under threat of the Spanish armada.

Maritime history abounds in the nearby Medway with the historic dockyard at Chatham and the Norman castle and cathedral at Rochester. Further downstream, beyond the marshes of Dickensian fame, visit the gunpowder and brewery part of Faversham and go for an oyster lunch at Whitstable with its chalets and beach huts.

Across the estuary Leigh-on-Sea still supplies Eastenders with their favourite shellfish – five miles of beach with water sports and sailing up to sunny Southend, one of Britain's largest seaside resorts with the longest pleasure pier in the world. ●



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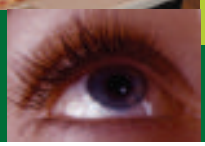

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Face to face

Get fit for summer by taking care of your body, paying extra attention to your skin

THE SUN HAS GOT HIS HAT ON – and so should you. Although the sun speeds up circulation and the amount of oxygen in the body, its UVA rays contribute to skin cancer and can cause wrinkles.

Be more active. Any amount of exercise can help your skin. Even taking a leisurely stroll will improve your circulation, which in turn helps to deliver oxygen and nutrients to your skin. Try Vaseline Intensive Care Firming & Nourishing lotion, specially formulated with natural sea minerals and collagen found naturally in the skin to improve skin tone and leave skin feeling firmer. With daily use, skin will be significantly firmer after just two weeks.

Start hydrating. Drinking at least eight glasses of water a day is recommended to keep your entire body healthy. But it's also important to hydrate your skin from the outside. To ensure your skin looks radiant, use a moisturiser daily which will help to eliminate dry skin and give you healthy skin for life.

Be smart about the sun. Even casual sun exposure - the kind you get while walking to work or running errands - can cause harm to your skin. Use a good sun care product that will protect you all day and make sure to re-apply regularly. L'Occitane do Brasil's sunscreen is made with Buriti, a dark-red fruit that has high concentrations of the antioxidant beta-carotene (three times more than contained in carrots).

Available from L'Occitane, Jubilee Place, E14 5NY.

Top tips for a flawless safe tan

- The key to a perfect tan is good preparation. Time should be spent carefully massaging the exfoliant into the skin 3-5 days before tanning, ensuring that no areas are missed. Particular attention and care should be spent on dry, rough areas such as the ankles, knees and elbows
- If you're using a spray-on tan, only a certain amount of product can be absorbed during one application, the excess will simply rub off and result in an uneven tan
- Once you have your beautiful tan it is important to maintain the colour and keep it looking good for as long as possible. This can either be done with a good moisturiser or special skin oil. Once the tan begins to break up, the skin should be exfoliated over a few days to keep the skin looking radiant

Advice from Fake Bake's celebrity tanning expert Lisa Fulton.

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Credit crunch

Small firms could be hit by times of financial insecurity

A failure to go through a fair consultation process will render any dismissal unfair

SMALL UK FIRMS are struggling in the face of the credit crisis to secure the loans they need to expand or even survive, a business group has warned. A lack of liquidity means banks are being more selective over who they loaned money to, the Federation of Small Businesses (FSB) says.

The FSB, which represents about 210,000 UK firms, added that there was a broader concern that small businesses would not be able to afford to expand. Jacqueline McGuigan partner in the employment department at tmp solicitors LLP says that this will have a knock on effect on profitability and in times of such volatility, only one thing is guaranteed - some degree of job losses.

If your redundancy policies have not been updated recently, the bleak employment outlook for 2008 should prompt an urgent review says Jacqueline. And if there is a high likelihood of redundancies in your organisation, Jacqueline advises you start thinking about the matter sooner rather than later.

CONSULTING TIME

Employers have a duty to consult those affected by redundancy, and in the case of collective redundancies, this must be with an appropriate representative, such as a trade union representative. A failure to go through a fair consultation process will render any dismissal unfair unless any consultation would have been futile.

AGE AWARENESS

For many employers eyeing potential redundancies in their organisation it will be the first time they have dealt with the issue in light of age discrimination legislation, which came into force recently. And there are several areas where it is likely to impinge on redundancy processes.

Beware, if you use the "last in, first out" method to select who should be made redundant. "The likelihood is that this approach will encompass younger workers who haven't had the chance to accrue years of service and could lead to claims of indirect age discrimination.

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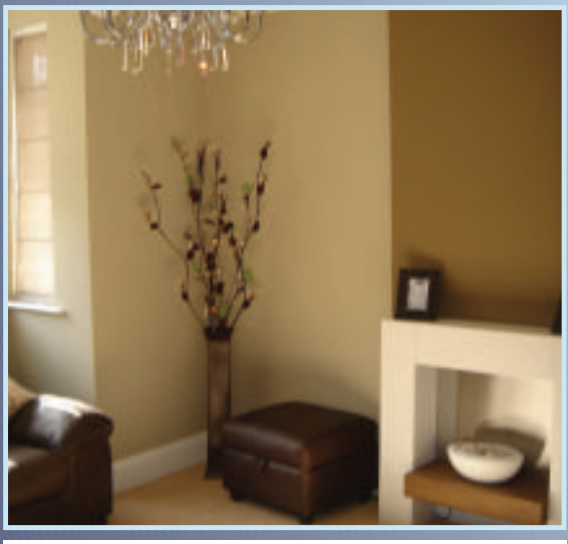

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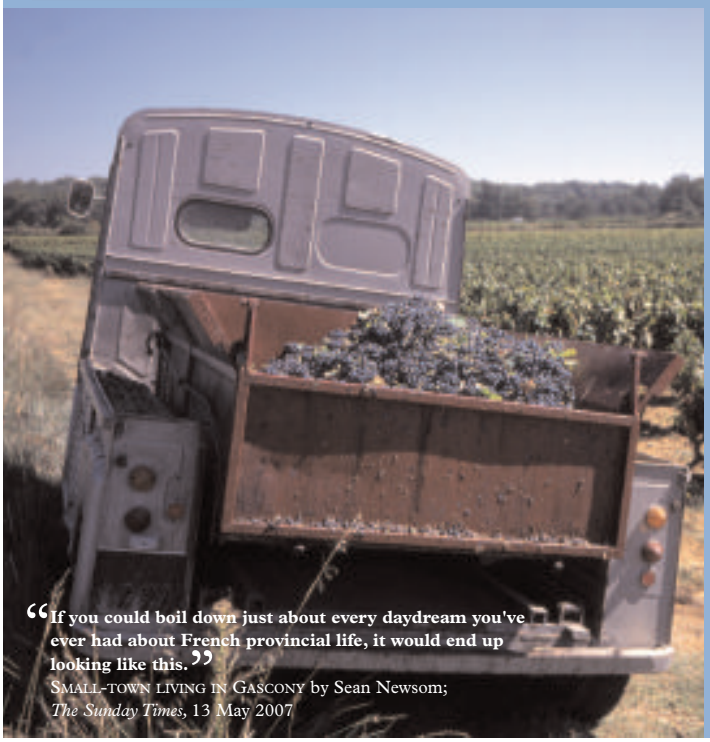

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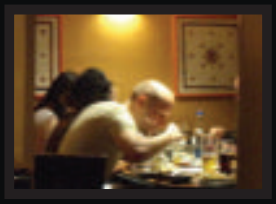
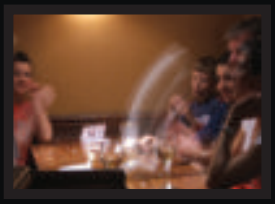
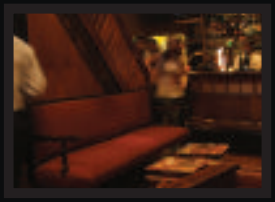
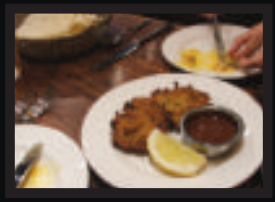

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Guy Awford

Garlic, one of the season's most underrated delicacies, arrives on the foodie scene

JUNE SIGNIFIES THE BEGINNING OF THE SUMMER. The sandals come out, the parks are full, and the evening sun shines into pub gardens until almost closing time. It may seem odd to consider something as familiar as garlic a seasonal treat, but the truth is almost all the garlic we eat has been dried and kept in storage for months. This drying process has a profound effect on the properties of the garlic, making it much more pungent than fresh garlic. It does not, however, affect its medicinal merits, like fresh garlic, it is very good for you. Its antibiotic qualities can be used to treat a host of health problems and it can help to reduce cholesterol and circulatory disorders. So make sure you eat as much of it as possible when the fresh stuff is not available.

Fresh garlic has a superb flavour and is fantastic roasted in the oven until the cloves are meltingly soft. The bulbs can be squeezed to extract a wonderful smoky sweet garlic puree; perfect for whipping into mash potato, enriching a salad dressing, or spreading over roast chicken or lamb. Whole garlic cloves can also be simmered in stock and then liquidised with a little stock and a splash of cream to produce a wonderful velvety sauce. Fresh garlic can still pack a punch, so if you prefer your sauces with a mellow flavour it is best to blanche the garlic first. Put the peeled garlic cloves into boiling water for 30 seconds. Remove and cool in cold water. Change the water and repeat the process.

WHERE TO BUY:

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- Grilling goat's cheese is fairly easy as long as the cheese is fridge cold and the pan is very hot. Cut the cheese in advance and drizzle generously with olive oil. Put back into the fridge to chill before cooking. A non-stick frying pan will make your life a lot easier. Don't crowd the pan; you may need to do them one at a time
- Carefully unwrap the garlic parcel catching all the oil in a bowl. Remove the cloves and reserve eight. Squeeze the rest into the bowl. Add a little more oil and a splash of balsamic vinegar and whisk together. Season to taste and add a teaspoon of Dijon mustard
- Serve the grilled cheese with some roasted beetroot, fresh watercress and brown bread. Drizzle over the dressing and garnish with a few roasted garlic cloves

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Summer snacks

Looking for a special place to celebrate or fancy a high tea? **FIONA KEATING** finds some tempting offerings

NORTH POLE

Is party season here already? It certainly is if you peep into North Pole on Saturday nights. On the night I was there, two large birthday parties were in full swing in the Piano Restaurant. From our table in the corner, we enjoyed the celebrations by proxy, even going so far as to join in with 'Happy Birthday'. But my bonhomie ended there, as I was determined to get my order in before thirty hungry and thirsty party goers. For my starter, I settled on the sautéed scallops on a chorizo, coriander and tomato salsa. Scallops can be a heavenly experience. These little beauties were done to perfection: mouthwatering and melting in the mouth with the meaty chorizo a deft contrast in tastes.

For the main course, I chose the ballottine of corn-fed chicken with Savoy cabbage, pancetta, fondant potato and cep cream. The chicken was moist and tender, and not too salty. I sometimes find that salt content in restaurants can be overdone, maybe to make you drink more, but this was certainly not the case at the North Pole.

Desserts ranged from an intriguing rhubarb parfait to a white and dark chocolate brownie. After much soul searching, I went for the apple and almond tart with Chantilly cream and crispy apples. Light and fluffy, not too tart and not too sweet, this was the highlight of my evening (apart from the double whammy of Cosmos). Best of all were the slivers of crisp apple. At first, they didn't taste of anything but then seconds later, my mouth was filled with a burst of zingy citrus.

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TUDOR BARN TEA ROOMS

In honour of National Vegetarian Week (19th-25th May), I paid a visit to the re-opened Tudor Barn Tea Rooms. The café, which is Vegetarian Society approved, has a good selection for veggies, including sandwiches with various fillings such as humous, red onion and salad, cheese and homemade chutney, as well as vegetable samosas.

Previously, the Tudor Barn was a pub filled with what might be euphemistically called colourful characters, but is now filled with couples and families enjoying the Well Pleasaunce Gardens. Good for light repastes, I chose the vegetarian quiche filled with courgettes and sween corn, plus a side salad. It was beautifully light and perfect for a lunch or high tea, after walking around the grounds. Everything is freshly made in nearby Charlton House, although soon, everything will be made in the Tudor Barn Tea Rooms new cooking facilities.

An English summer is just plain wrong without a taste of Victoria sponge cake. You can tell these are hand made just by looking at them, irregular and uneven, with lashings of cream filling, a world apart from the regulation lines of factory-made cakes.

This eaterie, which is a restored 16th-century building, has one of the most scenic locations, set in the beautiful grounds of Well Hall Pleasaunce. There's a lovely, nostalgic feel to the place, stopped in time at some bygone era. I could just imagine Edith Nesbitt, who lived here from 1899-1922, wandering around the grounds, composing the next chapter of The Railway Children. It's even got old-fashioned prices. Where else can you buy homemade biscuits for 50p or tea loaf at £1.20 a slice? ●

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Tasty bean tortilla

Fast food

A new gastropub arrives in Mottingham, while veggies strike out for green rights

Greenwich food market

To encourage you to eat your greens, a new food market has opened on Wednesdays from 11am–7pm, groaning with fresh local and international produce. You can sample the wares of the Greenwich Community Food Co-op who will be selling fresh fruit and veg at a third of the price of supermarkets. There's also Flour Power Bakery, Mamma Mia Italian Fine Food, fair trade products from the Health Food shop as well as home-cooked Portuguese savouries from Taste of the Algarve.

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Pick-me-up

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Veg out!

If you're thinking of upping your intake of fruit and fibre, try taking on the National Vegetarian Week (19th–25th May) challenge of spending seven days on a veggie diet. You never know, it might make you feel much perkier. You can find more information about vegetarian cookery and healthy eating at Eltham Library where the Vegetarian Society will be provvidingplenty of information, books and DVDs.

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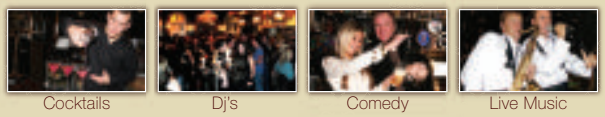

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Accessorise this!

A kaleidoscope of colour is hot this season, says **YANAR ALKAYAT.** From stiletto heels to skinny belts, it's a brilliantly bright affair

Despite the catwalk rivalry between shoes and bags, handbags are still up there on a woman's want-list, with eye-catching catwalk imitations from the high street, we are left spoilt for choice. The larger than life patent bucket-tote, from Marks and Spencer in both black and yellow, is pure summertime fun and fortunately for our bank accounts, costs a fraction of its Marc Jacobs high-end couture counterpart.

A humungous bag, not only good for losing your possessions in, but conveniently doubles-up as an overnighter as well as airport hand luggage and totally on-trend. For luxurious travel wear, try the modern classics at Hide All in Greenwich, where smart, structured holdalls come in attractive designs for both men and women.

For easy wardrobe refreshing, a new belt or scarf is a relatively inexpensive way of throwing new light onto existing outfits. Tie sumptuous corals, tangerine oranges or graphic prints around the neck for a modern twist to 'geek chic', a strong trend on the street today.

A belting good design from InWear

It's party time with this perfect clutch from InWear

Alternatively, get elegantly waisted with a bright, skinny belt. Caroline Auckland, manager and buyer for Apostrophe says it's her favourite tip for the season. "Bringing in a flash of colour through a small belt is the perfect way of adding a contemporary edge to things, whatever your age." The Marc 'O Polo' belt, which comes in six colourways, is one of her best finds. Other accessories at Apostrophe, which stocks smart casual brands like Hobbs and 7 For All Man Kind, include semi-precious stoned jewellery, handmade by local Greenwich designers, ideal for summer's wedding dressing.

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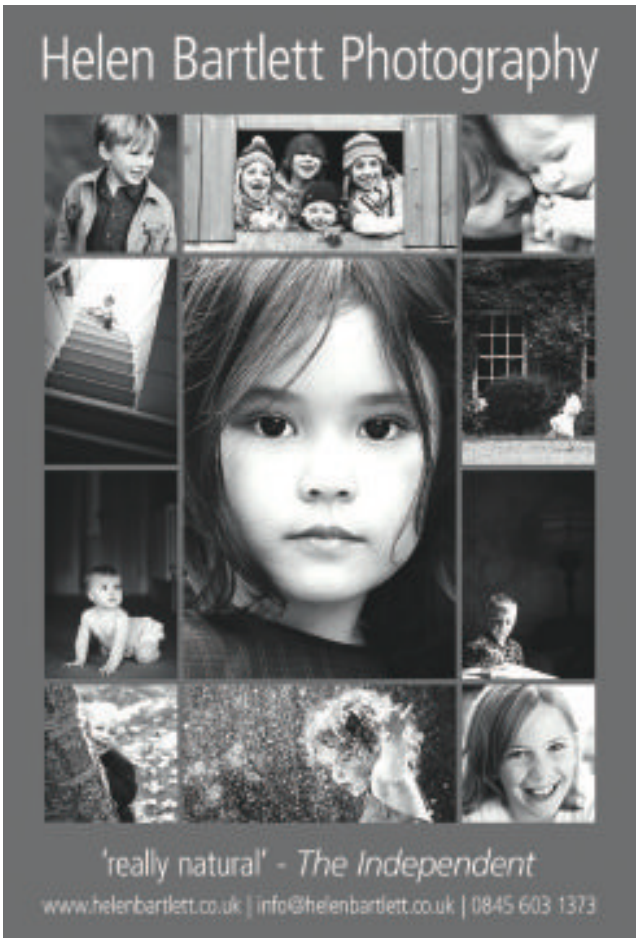

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SCHOOL DAYS

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St Matthew Academy in Blackheath, the first Catholic state school in the country for three to sixteen year olds was opened by the Right Reverend Bishop Patrick Lynch, SS, CC on 30th April.

The design of the £38 million building is highly praised and made the short list for a Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) award. State-funded but independent, the school is sponsored by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Southwark in partnership with the Department for Children, Schools and Families. At the opening ceremony the Right Reverend Bishop Lynch said: "I am sure this wonderful, new building we are opening will help inspire students on their intellectual and spiritual journey to become lifetime learners."

Although independent the school will work closely with the London Borough of Lewisham to ensure that students can participate in the wider educational opportunities offered by the Local Education Authority (LEA). Facilities at St Matthew include a Dance and Drama area, as well as a Film and Media suite.

SUPERNANNY TO THE RESCUE

Childcare expert Rachel Soar of Tinies South East London gives essential tips on how to keep kids occupied throughout the summer months.

- Plan the day. Write a timetable of activities such as painting and board games for the morning and playing in the garden
- Don't interfere. If you have more than one child and they are playing nicely together let them get on with it. Obviously keep an eye on them but don't feel you have to be involved in everything they are doing
- Invite their friends round. You may think double the children means double the trouble. In fact it can be easier for them to have playmates around because they entertain each other. It also means they are likely to get invited back which will give you some time off

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CHINA NOW! DAY

Eltham College Junior School is the first school in the country to introduce Mandarin as the core foreign language learnt by all pupils.

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GARDEN couture

HELENA REED explores why there is no time like the present to spruce up your garden

One of the best things about summer is spending more time in your garden, soaking up the rays or inviting friends round for barbeques. The importance of the garden as a natural extension to the living space within our homes has become increasingly paramount in recent years. According to Simon Buhl-Davis of Savills Interior Services, people love relaxed Sunday mornings sitting on a deck with freshly ground coffee and croissants. If you've neglected your garden during the colder months, it's probably in need of some TLC. Investing in new garden furniture immediately gives your garden a revamp, transforming your precious outdoor space into a private haven.

Gardens are recognised as a great investment by British homeowners, who spend £4.2 billion a year on their bit of turf. A beautiful garden is a strong asset, and can significantly increase the value of a property.

If you're looking for outdoor furniture, Catrina O'Leary from The Urban Garden suggests that you start by making a list of activities that take place in your garden. "Is it for entertaining or will it be used as a space for the kids to run amok?" You should also consider the size of your garden. If it is small, you won't want to clutter it with too much furniture. Instead, you could create a focal point, with furniture that makes a statement. The Urban Garden's bestseller is the Dido table, which has a bold, modern and dramatic design, so it can be used for both formal and relaxed occasions.

Decide on a style for your garden. If it's contemporary, incorporate aluminium and stainless steel, or for a more traditional look, use teak furniture. Secret Garden Furniture use naturally rusted forged steel combined with green oak, creating pieces with a timeless appeal such as the Isabella Bench which looks great, whether you have either a traditional or modern garden.

Eco-friendly gardeners will like Robert Dyas' new range of affordable hardwood furniture, which is approved by the FSC (The Forest Stewardship Council). This organisation ensures that the wood used is legally logged, that the workers' rights are respected and no endangered wildlife habitat is harmed. Gardens are beneficial to your health. Studies show that just an hour's relaxation in the garden can relieve the effects of stress. So lie back and chill out this summer in your corner of Eden.

The Flower House from Secret Gardens Furniture

The Dido table from the Urban Garden

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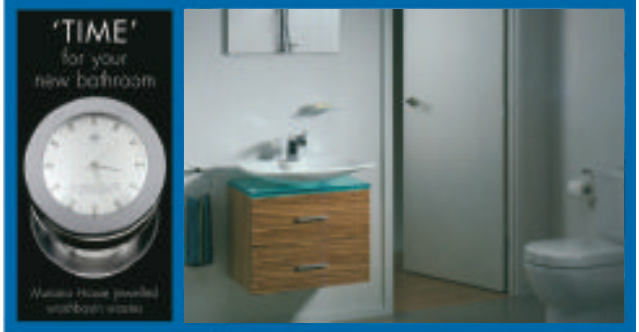

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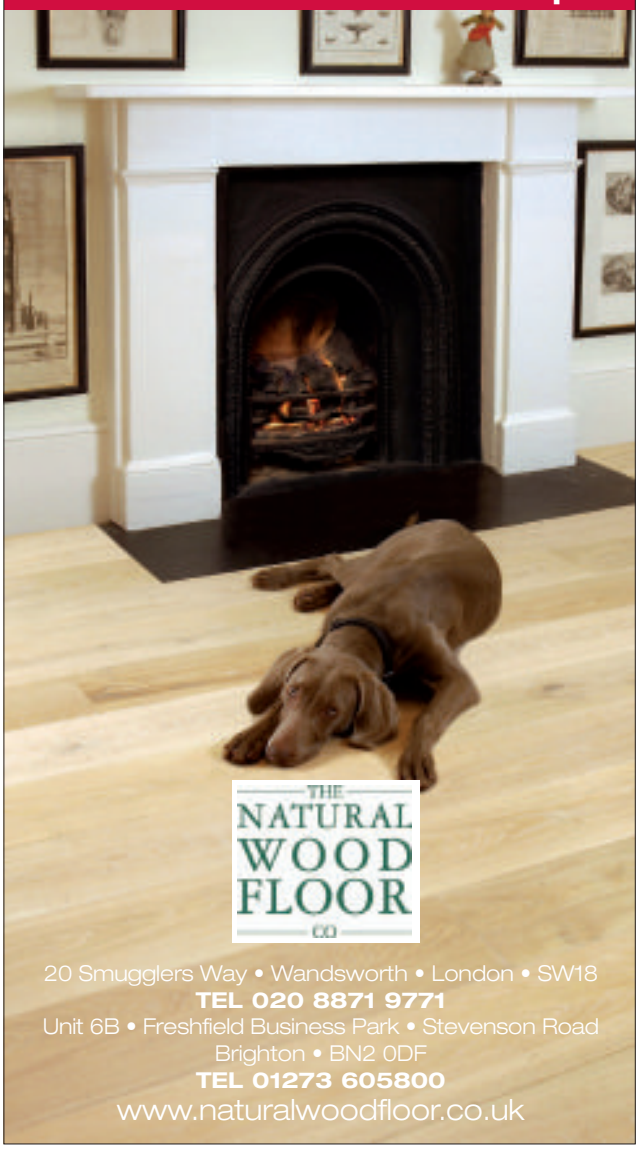

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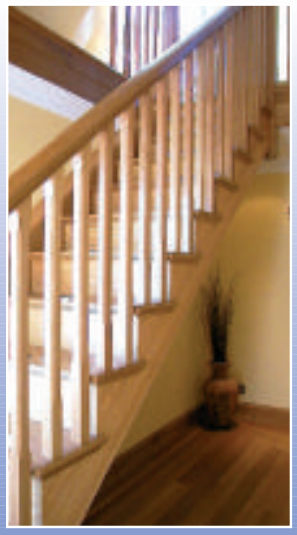

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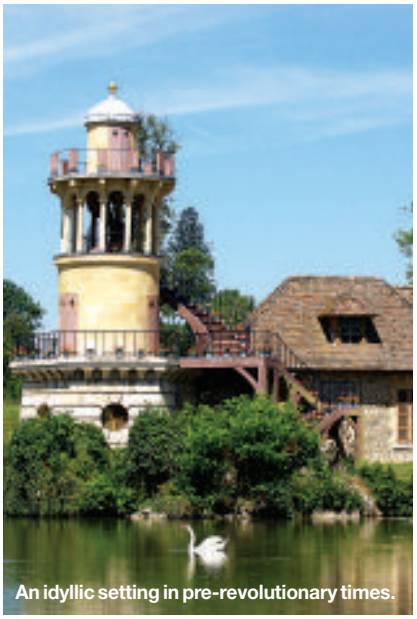
Marie Antoinette was called the Princess of Versailles - and she lived here for most of her life - so where better to get a feel for her likes and loves than to wander around the beautiful château and gardens.

Versailles has always attracted visitors, even from its earliest days. Today, the museum receives three million visitors a year and the rich and famous drawn here includes Queen Victoria, Diana, Princess of Wales, as well as movie stars such as Tom Cruise and Nicole Kidman.

Versailles is one of the most beautiful royal residences in the world, just 12 miles from Paris. The King and his entourage (over 5,000 people), moved here en masse during 1682. The palace then became the political heart of France when Louis XVI transplanted his court here.

It's also the setting for a dramatic period of world history. During the French Revolution a mob of 7,000 people invaded the palace and forcibly carried off Marie Antoinette into captivity.

The private apartments of the queen give a fascinating insight into the private life of the court. The first set of rooms to enter is the Salon de la Paix, the queen's card room, and she was known for her love of gambling, playing well into the night and early hours of the morning.



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There's also a discreet passageway between the King's and Queen's bedroom along back corridors, for conjugal night visits which could be conducted away from the prying eyes of the courtiers.

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Another hidden doorway, whose outline can still be seen today, leads to a secret stairway where Marie Antoinette managed to escape in the middle of the night from the rioters in 1789, although evading capture was only temporary. After the King and Queen appeared on the balcony the next day, the mob bayed for them to be imprisoned in Paris.

One of the most magnificent rooms is the Hall of Mirrors. In 1678, Louis XIV fresh from his military victories built the Galerie des Glaces to enhance the magnificence of the palace. This vast room, 230 feet long, has 17 huge mirrors, an extravagant display of wealth in an age when looking glasses were incredibly expensive.

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And did Marie-Antoinette really make that notorious reference to cake? Apparently not. The story was first told about a Spanish Princess who married Louis XIV a hundred years before Marie-Antoinette arrived at Versailles. It continued to be repeated about many other princesses throughout the 18th century.

Unfortunately Marie Antoinette could not please the fickle whims of the public, and she was executed by guillotine in 1793. But here at Versailles it's still possible to imagine the happier times of Marie Antoinette, enjoying court intrigues, parties, dances and musical evenings as well as fussing over her children. ●

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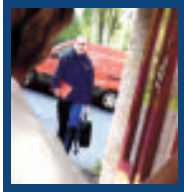

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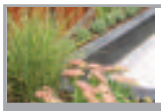

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Humber Road, SE3

Positioned in the heart of the Westcombe Park conservation area, is this beautiful five bedroom family residence with panoramic views over London and within the popular Halstow school catchment area.

£1,500,000, freehold

King Sturge Blackheath, 020 8852 8383

Sandbourne Road, SE4

A very well presented and unique opportunity to purchase this two bedroom conversion flat located on the ground floor of this double fronted period house well located for access to Brockley and New Cross Gate main line station.

£315,000, leasehold

King Sturge Brockley, 020 8691 3311

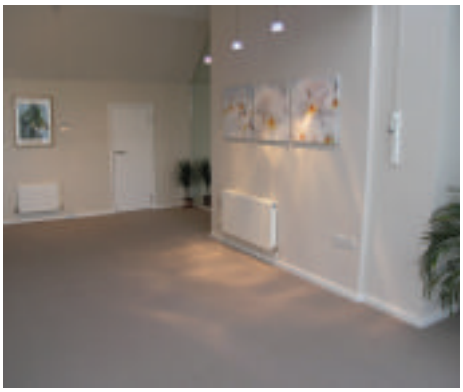
King Sturge

Langdale Road, SE10

An outstanding two bedroom split level conversion flat within the sought after Ashburnham conservation area. The current owner has carried out a meticulous refurbishment of the property which is both light and spacious.

£499,950, leasehold

King Sturge Greenwich, 020 8858 9986



Moseley Road, SE10

We are pleased to offer this three story, three bedroom terraced house just twelve minutes walk from the Jubilee line at North Greenwich. The property is available immediately and is offered unfurnished or part furnished.

£2,167 pcm, freehold

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PROPERTY OF THE MONTH

SILKWORKS: AT THE HEART OF EMERGING LEWISHAM

Silkworks in Lewisham provides the perfect opportunity to invest in a prime Zone 2 location which benefits from excellent transport links as well as an ongoing £250 million extensive regeneration programme.

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The Armouries at Royal Arsenal, Woolwich SE18

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- Thames Clipper fast ferry service to Canary Wharf from on-site pier
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GREENWICH 27 Greenwich Street South, Greenwich SE10 8NT. greenwich@fjlord.co.uk 0845 338 5453 (local call rates apply)

Conduit House, SE10 **£449,950L/H**

CONNOISSEUR'S CHOICE.
Impressive three-bedroom apartment within an imposing mansion block on one of Greenwich's most prestigious roads with views overlooking Blackheath and Rangers House. The property is in excellent condition and also offers two receptions and a garage.

Vista Apartments, SE10 **£365,000 L/H**

DUPLEXALICIOUS!
A prestigious two-bed apartment across the top two floors of this eye catching development on the north/east side of the Royal Park with excellent accommodation, high specification, parking and more than a splash of style.

Crosslet Vale, SE10 **£215,000 L/H**

PRICED TO SELL.
Crosslet Vale is a popular private development in West Greenwich ideally located for the DLR and overland. This apartment is on the first floor and offers two bedroom, lounge/diner, fitted kitchen and bathroom. The property is offered for sale with no chain and deserves an immediate viewing.

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Hopedale Road, SE7 **£449,995 F/H**

PERFECT FOR THE FAMILY
A simply stunning four bedroom Victorian home with two bathrooms, utility room and an abundance of original features with lovely French doors between the lounge and dining room creating a flexible living space. This fine home deserves immediate viewing!

Leghorn Road, SE18 **£235,000 F/H**

INVEST IN HAPPINESS
Located in a sought after position, minutes from the open space of Plumstead Common, is this beautifully finished Victorian home with two double bedrooms, perfect if you are thinking of buying with a friend and excellent living space with lounge and dining room. Commuters need not to worry as Plumstead Station is only a walk way.

Little Heath, SE7 **£599,995 F/H**

GRAND PROPORTIONS
A superb Victorian home with grand proportions featuring three beautiful receptions and four good size bedrooms. Notable benefits include floor- ceiling windows a lovely garden and beautiful period detailing.

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St Mildreds Road, SE12 **£247,500 SOF**

Spacious two bedroom garden flat situated in an imposing Victorian property within walking distance to Lee mainline train station with its frequent service into London and all local amenities. The property benefits from off street parking to front and 85ft garden to rear. Viewing highly recommended.

Minerva Lodge, SE3 **£289,950 SOF**

This plush two bedroom apartment is situated in the heart of the prestigious Cator Estate. Surrounded by beautiful communal gardens and set within tranquil surroundings, this stylish property boasts spacious accommodation with quality fittings and interior throughout. The property comes with garage and share of freehold

Broadwalk, SE3 **£355,000 F/H**

Stunning newly refurbished three bedroom 1930's property is presented to the highest standard. The property boasts two light and spacious reception rooms with glass windows and doors across the rear of the property overlooking an immaculate 80ft garden with raised decking area for entertaining.

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Ashburnham Place SE10 £2000pcm

This delightful two double bedroom house is located in the Ashburnham Triangle. It has just been redecorated and is ready for a new tenant. The property has two large reception rooms, open plan very spacious kitchen and bathroom. The property has got stunning garden which is well stocked with mature bushes and plants.

Royce House BR3 £599,000

A spacious chalet style 5 bedroom detached house with mature gardens to front and rear. The house is very close to New Beckenham Station. It comes complete with garage, fully fitted kitchen and a large loft. Perfect as a family house. Offered CHAIN FREE

Lawn Terrace £1950pcm

Fantastic location, minutes walk from Blackheath Station and the centre of Blackheath Village. A 4/5 bed, unfurnished town house offering good sized bedrooms, large reception with wood laminate flooring overlooking a small neat. Garden room on the ground floor. Single garage and driveway for two cars.

Franklin Close SE10 £364,990

An extremely well presented three/four bedroom town house. Property includes open plan kitchen/reception room, 2 reception rooms one with balcony overlooking the garden. House is located in a quiet residential area. Good-sized lawn garden. En suite to master bedroom. Allocated double parking space. Excellent connections with both the DLR and mainland Greenwich station as well as most major bus routes.

California Building SE13 £249,995

Open plan reception/kitchen, stylish bathroom and double bedroom with views of the London Eye. The apartment is situated on the seventh floor with large balcony that is not overlooked and benefits from great views over the city of London. One of the best one bedrooms in the development.

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Special Agents

Check out the usual suspects in your local area

KING STURGE

NAME: Graham Lawes

COMPANY PROFILE: Professional property consultants brokering local and international transactions.

TYPICAL PROPERTY: Diverse range, catering for the city professional and the growing family. From stylish conversions to elegant detached homes.

MOST INTERESTING PROPERTY: Super double-fronted family home with panoramic views in Humber Road.

WHERE TO BUY: This year Westcombe Park Conservation area has become a real hot spot and we have found the migration from north London seems to be fuelling prices. The buyer enjoys a real sense of community and yet is close enough to Canary Wharf for an easy daily commute. With Greenwich Park also on the doorstep, super transport links and a fantastic junior school, this would be my tip for buyers looking for a location that really has it all. Other areas to consider: Manor Park, Charlton Slopes.

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OLIVER BOND

NAME: Tom Heaney

COMPANY PROFILE: Oliver Bond has been successfully established in the centre of Greenwich for the last ten years. With its full range of the sales and lettings knowledge of the market, Oliver Bond is one of the leading independent estate agents.

TYPICAL PROPERTY: We sell a wide range of property from £45,000 to a house at High Bridge Wharf at £1,000,000.

MOST INTERESTING PROPERTY: Currently we have a fantastic and quirky one-bedroom house with planning permission for a second bedroom on Walnut Tree Road.

WHERE WOULD YOU BUY: If money was no option, it would be a four-bedroom period house on Hyde Vale in Greenwich, with its tree-lined streets and easy walk to local amenities. In terms of investment, it would have to be Greenwich/ Deptford with its fast-growing new development. Deptford and Greenwich are going to be the next big thing, and that's where I would put my money.

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AMELIA KING

NAME: I'm Anne-Sophie Bouley, the office manager's assistant and have just arrived from France.

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TYPICAL PROPERTY: Amelia king offers properties in Greenwich and the surrounding area, with one to five bedroom dwellings.

WHAT WE CAN OFFER: The agency offers a large range of services such as residential sales, letting & property management, property abroad and mortgages.

MOST INTERESTING OFFER: A letting services for £375 (let only). Terms and conditions apply.

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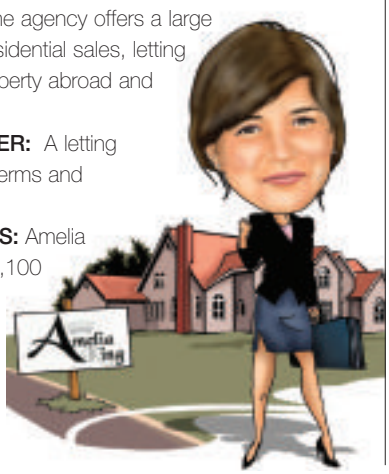

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NAME: Dawn Shepperson

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TYPICAL PROPERTY: Varies throughout London, from grand residences at £11,000pw to more modest studios at £200pw. In Docklands, our rental prices range from £250pw to £2500pw.

MOST INTERESTING PROPERTY: Currently the most interesting is a fabulous sub-penthouse in Benbow House. Floor to ceiling windows follow the curve of the river with stunning London skyline views. Available to rent at £1300pw.

WHERE WOULD YOU BUY: As dream homes go, City Quay would be my first port of call. Nestled in a pedestrianised backwater, overlooking the Marina at St Katherine's Docks, with glimpses of the river and Tower Bridge, I'd be very happy - more so from one of the penthouse terraces on a summer's evening with a glass of Pimm's to hand.

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DESTINATIONS LONDON

NAME: Simon Kyriacou

COMPANY PROFILE: Destinations London is an innovative estate agency that creates a stress-free way to buy, sell and rent property, by combining the use of revolutionary technology, together with good old fashioned customer service.

TYPICAL PROPERTY: New developments in south-east London covering Greenwich, Lewisham and Royal Arsenal in Woolwich.

MOST INTERESTING PROPERTY: An amazing 3,000 sq feet lateral conversion in Greenwich SE10. This is probably the biggest apartment that I have seen in the area and certainly the largest lateral conversion. The property will consist of three spacious bedrooms and three bathrooms, plus an open plan kitchen/living/dining area. It also has the benefit of underground parking.

WHERE WOULD YOU BUY: East Greenwich is definitely the place to invest. The area has seen a lot of changes in the last few years with more shops on Trafalgar Road (including Tesco) and lots of smaller residential developments popping up. The old Greenwich hospital site will be redeveloped into a mixed-used site which will revitalise the area.

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TYPICAL PROPERTY: We are lucky that we don't really have a 'typical' property as such. However, I would say that we have the most demand and success with the mid-range period terraced homes.

MOST INTERESTING PROPERTY: This is currently a four-storey Grade II listed Georgian house, on the market with us for £1.125million. This property is particularly interesting as it is unusual to find a house in central Greenwich that covers over 2,000sq ft, while also offering off-street parking and spacious garden.

WHERE WOULD YOU BUY: I would definitely buy in the east Greenwich locality as this area is close to the Jubilee Line.

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WHERE WOULD YOU BUY: Deptford. Yes that's correct, Deptford, SE8!! With many new developments cropping up around the area and at reasonable prices, definitely an up-and-coming area. Why not check out Deptford High Street, with its coffee shops, art gallery.

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NAME: Emma Halmshaw

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TYPICAL PROPERTY: We successfully sell or let a variety of properties in Shad Thames (SE1), Wapping (E1), Rotherhithe (SE16) and Canary Wharf (E14).

MOST INTERESTING PROPERTY: Some people might find our houseboat (brand new on the books) an exciting option, but generally we find all our properties have unique, interesting features.

WHERE WOULD YOU BUY: For long-term capital appreciation it has to be Shad Thames. I recommend Deptford. riverfront.

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Greenfell Mansions, SE10 £475,000

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Tyler Street, SE10 £469,500

These don't come along too often. This is a delightful two bedroom house in a very sought after street. Tyler Street can be found in Greenwich and on the door step to Greenwich Royal Park and the extensive amenities of Greenwich village. The surrounding area has a sense of community and local spirit. If you are looking for a spacious home in the heart of Greenwich, this will be for you.
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Walnut Tree Road, SE10 £350,000

A superb opportunity to buy this charming 1 bed period house with planning consent granted for a second double bedroom and upstairs bathroom. In a sought after East Greenwich street the accommodation comprises of a lounge, kitchen, bedroom, bathroom, garden and roof terrace with views of the Docklands. The property is well located for easy access to Maze Hill overland station (Cannon Street 17mins and Charing Cross 22mins) and is a short bus ride from North Greenwich and the Jubilee line. It is within walking distance of Greenwich Park and the bars and restaurants of Greenwich town centre. Arrange a viewing now to avoid disappointment.

Stanton House SE10 £255,000

This Great two bedroom top floor flat should be on the top of your viewing list with two bedrooms, separate kitchen and lounge /Diner with easy access to the Cutty Sark DLR and the bars and restaurants of Greenwich.

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Straightsmouth, SE10 £3000pcm

4 double bedroom end of terrace house in fantastic sought after location, yards from Greenwich DLR/BR stations, the Royal Park and the river. The property is set over 3 floors and boasts the use of two bathrooms and a ground level w/c. 2nd floor master bedroom has an en-suite, family bathroom with shower on the 2nd floor. This lovely home has an open topped roof garden, ideal for summer dinning. Kitchen/breakfast room has all NEFF integrated appliances the modern family would want. Rear garden and ALLOCATED UNDERGROUND PARKING SPACE. Available now unfurnished.

RUBICON, SE10 £2500pcm or £595,000

This Stunning property in the RUBICON. Set in the heart of Greenwich, this penthouse apartment has everything the modern professional is looking for in a 2 bedroom apartment. Set on the 5th floor with access via lift. Open plan kitchen and lounge leading on to a private roof terrace with panoramic views over the City or London, River Thames and historic West Greenwich and Royal Park. Fully integrated appliances. Two double bedrooms with en-suite master shower room and family bathroom. Underground allocated parking space. The first to see it will let it. Available furnished or unfurnished.

Woolwich Road, SE10 £3,000pcm

"Wow" is the only word we can use for this rare property. This huge 5 double bedroom house set over 3 floors of pure luxury. The whole property has been totally renovated to a very high standard. Including a fully integrated contempary kitchen and 3 shower rooms. Every room has an abundance of space, which would be perfect for large family or 5 professional sharers looking for space and also quality. Rear courtyard garden and terrace from the 1st floor kitchen.

Devonshire Drive, SE10 £1600pcm

A 2 double bedroom apartment, situated over two floors with an internal balcony looking into the spacious lounge and dining room. This property is equipped with a fully fitted kitchen with gas hob, electric oven, dishwasher, washing machine, fridge freezer and extractor fan. Good size white 3 piece bathroom with shower. Office/snug space can be made advantage of from the good space on top of the mezzanine level. Two ample double bedrooms of similar size, many original features have been retained to give this home some real character. GCH, Security entry. ALLOCATED SECURE PARKING SPACE! A short walk to either Greenwich DLR/BR stations or the river taxi. West Greenwich speciality shops are a mere stroll plus the wonderful open space of Blackheath and the village. Available now furnished or unfurnished.

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Blackheath
Spacious four bedroom Victorian house. Oozing charm and character. Twin reception rooms, spacious fitted kitchen / breakfast room, dry cellar, large family bathroom, 60' rear garden.
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Catford
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Lewisham
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Lewisham
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Brockley Conservation Area
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Lewisham
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£189,995

Lewisham
Because it is a buyers market, we bring you this, good value lower ground floor Victorian flat. Two good sized bedrooms. Chain free sale. We hold keys. Snap it up!
£158,950

Hither Green
Dramatically reduced. Compact one bedroom Victorian garden flat. A' hop, skip and a jump away from' Hither Green Station. Modern kitchen area. Luxury en-suite bathroom. Chain free sale. Private garden with decked patio. Off street parking.
£155,000

Catford **£275,000**
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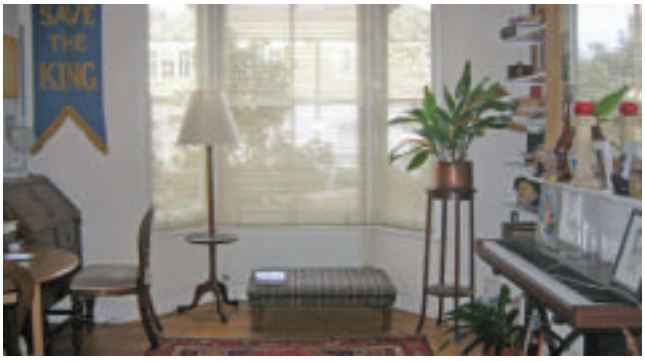

Greenwich SE10 Guide Price £415,000 F/H

Victorian 3 bedroom house close to Westcombe Park Station with through reception, large kitchen/diner, cellar and west facing garden. Many period features remain.

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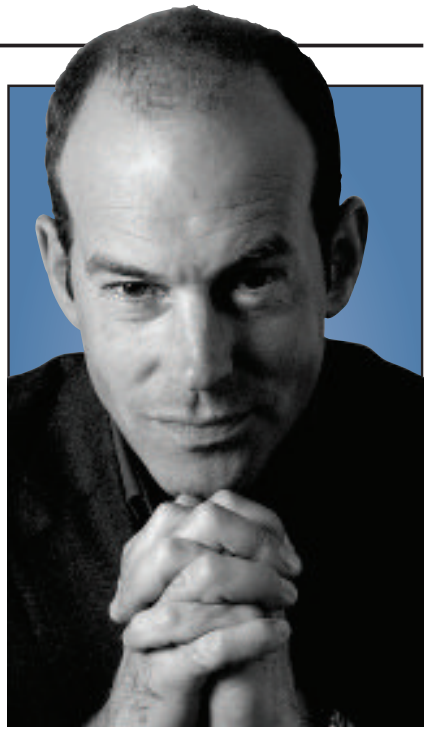

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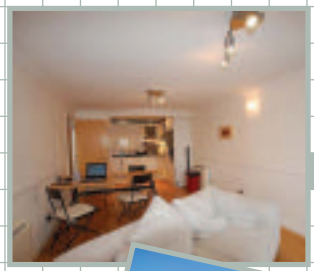

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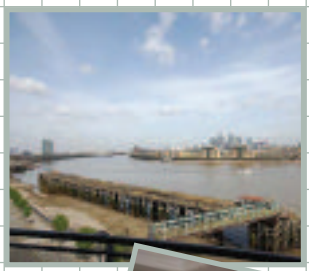

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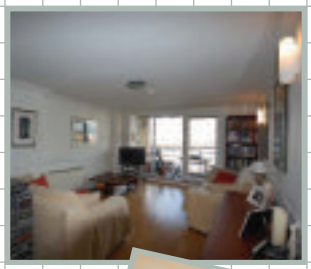

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Bickley £749,995

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Chislehurst £699,995

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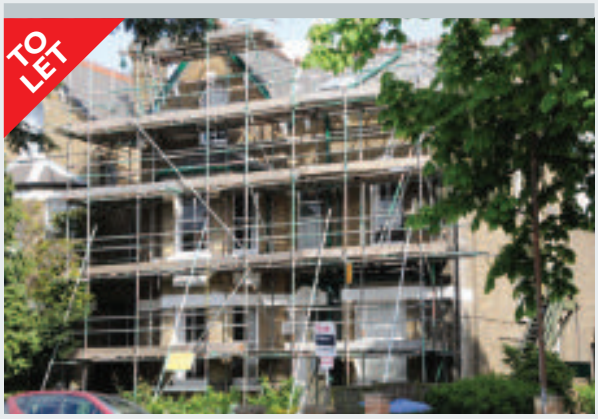

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Belmont Hill SE13 £1,400,000 Freehold

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Manor Way SE3 £1,400,000 Freehold

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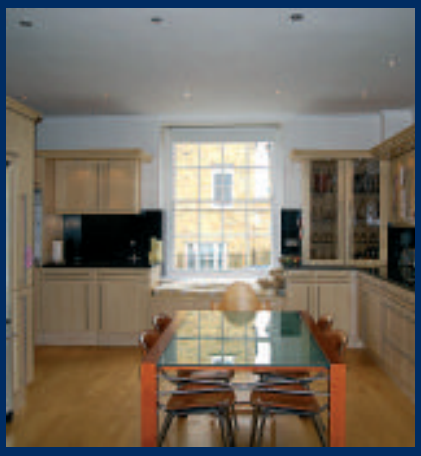

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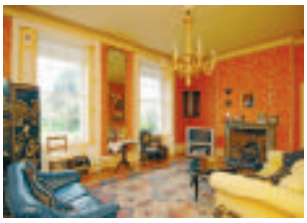

Devonshire Drive, SE10 Guide price £830,000
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Eliot Place Blackheath SE3 - Guide £1,300,000 Freehold
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Circus Street West Greenwich SE10 - Guide £835,000 Freehold
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Micheldever Road Lee SE12 - Guide £450,000 Leasehold
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Glenluce Road Blackheath SE3 - Price £1,950,000 Freehold

An imposing double fronted detached Victorian mansion house with 8 double bedrooms and 3 large receptions. This substantial family home has, in our opinion, been refurbished to a very high standard with solid oak wood floors, Miele kitchen appliances and period marble fireplaces in many rooms. The property also benefits from a large 25' x 10' kitchen with Jura Limestone flooring and island unit, roof terrace, 2 family bathrooms and 3 en suite shower rooms. The house is located within the Westcombe Park Conservation area and is only a short walk from Westcombe Park Train Station with Blackheath Village and Greenwich Park a little further.

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Lloyds Place Blackheath SE3 - Guide Price £1,900,000 Freehold

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